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**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Re: Application of Uwe SCHELLHORN  
PHASE SHIFTING WAVEFRONT INTERFERENCE METHOD  
**Assignee: CARL ZEISS SMT AG**  
Our Ref. Q78199

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	Attorney Docket Number	Q78199

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